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For: **DIGITAL IMAGING SYSTEM**

HAVING DISTRIBUTION CONTROLLED OVER A DISTRIBUTED NETWORK Appeal No. 2006-1541

Examiner: George A. Bugg

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REQUEST FOR REHEARING OF NEW GROUND FOR REJECTION

Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences United States Patent and Trademark Office P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Decision on Appeal mailed June 13, 2006, Applicants respectfully request that the Board reconsider the new basis for rejection of Claims 1-12. A Request for Rehearing of the affirmed rejection as to Claims 23-29 is submitted as a separate paper pursuant to MPEP § 1214.01.

New Ground for Rejection

The Board has asserted a new ground for rejection as to Claims 1-12 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, asserting that "Nowhere in the original disclosure, as filed, did appellants ever describe the relative positions of the digitizer and orientation fixture as being 'without a predefined relative position,'". Applicants respectfully direct the Board's attention to page 6, lines 5-8 of the application as filed. Here the Applicants state, "Acquiring the orientation fixture may permit, for example, any of automatic calibration of the digitizer, automatic determination of the relative position of the digitizer and orientation fixture, and fixture's orientation or condition." It is non-sensical to suggest that it would be necessary to determine the relative position of the digitizer and orientation fixture if those relative positions were predefined. Thus, Applicants respectfully submits that the description as originally filed supports at least one embodiment in which there is no predefined relative position between the orientation fixture and the digitizer. In view of the forgoing, it is respectfully requested that the Board withdraw this new ground for rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph.

Respectfully submitted,

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REQUEST FOR REHEARING PARTIAL AFFIRMANCE OF EXAMINER'S REJECTIONS

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Decision on Appeal mailed June 13, 2006, Applicants respectfully request that the Board reconsider its affirmance of the Examiner in connection with Claims 23-29. A Request for Rehearing of the new ground for rejection as to Claims 1-12 is submitted as a separate paper pursuant to MPEP § 1214.01.

Rejection of Claims 23-26 under 35 U.S.C. § 103

The Board sustained the Examiner's rejection of Claims 23-26 under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as unpatentable over Murphy. Applicants respectfully submit that Murphy fails to teach or suggest the preventing access to the image data by a local user until an authorization is received as claimed. Applicants explicitly note that Murphy does not prevent access to the stored frame. In fact, Murphy explicitly permits viewing of the stored framed. See Murphy, column 15, lines 6-10 without receipt of any authorization. Thus, Murphy fails to teach or suggest preventing access until an authorization is received as claimed. While this fact about Murphy was articulated in the original Appeal Brief as filed, the argument in connection with Claim 20 while it more appropriately applied to Claim 23, it nevertheless demonstrates the non-obviousness Applicants' existing Claim 23 and its dependent claims in light of Murphy. This point was clearly articulated as to Claim 23 in the Reply Brief as filed and this is an appropriate basis for the Board to reconsider and overturn the Examiner. It is therefore respectfully requested that the Board reconsider and overturn the Examiner's rejection of Claim 23 and its dependent claims.

The Rejection of Claims 27-29 Under 35 U.S.C. § 103

In sustaining the Examiner's rejection of Claims 27-29 the Board only addressed one of two aspects of Applicants' argument. Accepting for the sake of argument that Truc can be combined with Migdal and Pito as the Board has determined, the combination of references nevertheless fails to teach or suggest the data analyzer as claimed. The Examiner merely points to a section of the background of the invention of Truc which only indicates that it is desirable to rescan certain images at higher resolution. Contextually throughout Truc, it appears that the examination of the digital representation of the images is conducted by a user and not as a result

of any data analyzer as claimed by Applicants. Thus, it is submitted that the absence of a data

analyzer performing the functionality claimed in Claims 27 and 29 could be fatal to the

Examiner's rejection. Applicants note that the absence of data analyzer in this combination of

references was raised in their initial Brief. Accordingly, Applicants request that the Board

reconsider and overturn the Examiner's rejection.

It is further noted with respect to the data analyzer element of Claim 29 that the rescan is

conducted using a different capture method. Applicants define different capture methods as, for

example, stereoscopy, profilometry, etc. Since these different capture methods do not apply to a

two-dimensional medium, it is very clear that Truc offers nothing in this connection. Moreover,

neither Pito nor Migdal disclose recapturing using alternative capture methods. For this

additional reason, it is respectfully requested that the rejection of Claim 29 be reconsidered and

overturned.

Respectfully submitted,

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